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Welcome to

The Seaton Beer & Colyton Experience

With the summer in full swing, this edition of the Seaton, Beer and Colyton Experience will act as a definitive guide to the very best attractions and businesses the Axe Valley has to offer. Both visitors and locals alike can enjoy a range of exciting events over the next few months, both by the sea or further inland, as our popular and picturesque resorts once again provide the perfect blend of relaxation and exhilaration.

We take a look at the brand new Coastal Craft Collective in Seaton, as well as focusing on some of the town's hidden treasures. We also take a trip to Pecorama to find out what's new this season as well as looking at the work of Mike Rowland and Son's Wheelwrights and Coach Builders in Colyton, by Appointment to Her Majesty The Queen.

With the promise of some long sunny days just around the corner, we hope The Seaton, Beer and Colyton Experience will warmly guide you through a fun and sizzling summer.

COASTAL CRAFT
Collective

The Coastal Craft Collective opened its doors for the first time on 21 May and is creating a place where local artists and crafters come together with people who want to buy their products and learn new skills.

The extensively refurbished shop offers a warm welcome to locals and visitors alike, selling a range of great quality, handmade products on behalf of local artists and crafters.

There is also a wonderfully spacious creative area behind the shop, where a varied programme of courses are run, including driftwood creations, sand art pictures, decoupage, and jewellery. The workshops encourage people to learn new skills.

The light and airy workroom is open to local businesses and anyone who wants to run workshops or hold meetings or social events. We can organise children's and adult craft parties and you will always be welcomed to have a look around.

Linda Doughty, the owner/manager said: "I moved to the area a year ago as I had always wanted to live on the coast. I have a business and marketing background and quickly saw the incredible potential of local creatives. I'm proud to be investing in Seaton and to bring together a small team of like-minded people to run the business. I love living by the sea and now, can't imagine living anywhere else."

Linda is looking forward to talking to customers and providing what they are looking for.

Coastal Craft Collective stock a range of handmade, local products including, jewellery, fabric goods, ceramics, driftwood creations, pictures, photographs, greetings cards, hats, glass art, preserves and vintage fabrics. You can also select from a range of craft kits for adults and children, to unleash their inner creativity.

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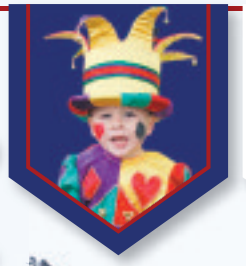
Seaton CARNIVAL

August 27th - September 2nd



Seaton Carnival organisers are hoping the weather gods look on them more kindly after last year's big event was cancelled because of heavy rain.

The August Bank Holiday weekend of fun has rarely fallen foul of the weather but on this occasion the organisers had no option but to call off the carnival procession, one of the most spectacular on the East Devon Circuit.

Seaton kicks off the carnival season in East Devon and attracts many thousands of people to the town.

This year's events take place between August 27th and September 2nd with the Carnival Queen float then attending other East Devon carnivals throughout September and October.

Earlier this year the carnival committee faced the possibility of not being able to hold the Carnival Queen, Princess and Prince competitions because they had nowhere to store and build the Carnival Float.

But one of the town's most popular traditions was saved when Tim Salter of Manor Farm came forward to provide the facilities required.

The Carnival Queen organisers are now looking for entrants who should write to Angela Broom at 57 Riverside Close, Seaton EX12 2TN, saying why they would like to be seen on the Carnival Float this year. Letters need to be submitted by June 28th. For more information telephone 01297 24982.

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Seaton Wetlands

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Seaton WETLANDS

East Devon

Nature Reserve

The site is home to an abundance of wildlife including wildfowl and wading birds, dragonflies, butterflies and if you're lucky you'll spot the resident barn owls!

The reserve is split into two parts. The largest section of the reserve is slightly further out of Seaton. It is possible to walk or cycle between the two sections (approx 1 mile) but there is no specific cycle path and there are sections without a pavement.

The main Seaton Wetlands car park can be accessed through Seaton Cemetery, off Colyford Road. From here you can enjoy bird watching from a number of bird hides, try your hand at pond dipping and find out more about the site over a drink in the Discovery Hut served by one of the Seaton Wetlands volunteers (pond dipping and Discovery Hut open Saturday – Monday during the summer). Expand your visit with a look around the Wildlife Garden, a splash in Stafford Brook stream and a picnic in the heart of the Wetlands (toilet facilities available).

The site is accessible for visitors with pushchairs, bikes, scooters and wheelchairs, there is the option to hire a mobility Tramper for those with limited mobility (must be booked in advance).

The smaller section of the reserve, closer to Seaton is Seaton Marshes, this area is accessible by foot from Seaton and has some parking (turn into Hillymead by Seaton football club) this part of the reserve includes a bird hide with views over grazing fields, marshland and ponds. There is also a peaceful circular walk around the Borrow Pit, where otters have been spotted. There are a number of events which place at Seaton Wetlands throughout the summer, visit: wildeastdevon.co.uk to find out more and to plan your visit! There is a no dog policy at Seaton Wetlands, there are other sites near-by which offer fantastic dog walking routes including Holyford Woods and Seaton Seafront (Summer restrictions may apply).

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DISCOVER MORE

Want to know what else there is to do around Seaton and the surrounding area? Visit the Tourist Information Centre based at Seaton Jurassic and we'll be pleased to help you make the most of your visit here.

Tourist Information

OPENING TIMES

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MENDIP MULE

For its third season, the now famous heritage open top bus hop on/hop off sightseeing tours will, for the first time, run for a full four month operating season, with services on most days from 27th May until 28th September, and with the route extended through Charmouth village to turn into Newlands Holiday Park.

Known as The Jurassic Mule route, the tour will take in the sights along the Jurassic Coast between Charmouth, Lyme Regis, Seaton and Beer.

The two hour round tours visit all points along the route and can be combined with a trip on the Seaton Tramway or a visit to Pecorama and the Beer Heights Light Railway.

During busy periods, buses run up to every 30 minutes from each stop and are a novel way of reaching the Seaton Tramway, while avoiding expensive and time restrictive car parking. Discounted online packages are available on the Tramway's website (www.tram.co.uk).

There is also a new peak season link from Axminster Railway Station, with connections from the Exeter and Yeovil directions, which offers a full day out on the route and the chance to explore Beer, Seaton, Lyme Regis and Charmouth.

The newly enhanced Jurassic Mule route will be running up to four heritage open top buses this summer, all designed in the 1960s and 1970s, making the company the West Country's largest heritage hop on/hop off bus operator.

Mendip Mule is the South West's biggest 'turn up and ride' operator of the famous Bristol VR class of bus, of which thousands once operated the length and breadth of the country. Three of the beloved buses will be in operation this year alongside the famous TDL 564K, which is now England's only single deck open top bus in day-to-day service.

To travel, you can simply buy your modestly priced all day, unlimited travel hop on/hop off, ticket from the friendly driver of the first bus boarded, or for those who prefer to pay by card, travel vouchers are available from Jurassic Mule agents.

There are discounts for seniors and accompanied children as well as a super family fare, which allows children to travel all day for as little as around £2 each.

Senior citizens can get an even better discount by advance booking at one of the ticket agencies and shorter tours are offered to visit a single destination along the route.

Buses can also be hired for private groups during the season.

Further details, along with full timetables, fares, and ticket agents, can be found on the website (www.mendipmulemotorbus.co.uk) and for all the latest news you can visit the Mendip Mule's Facebook page.

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MANY years ago, a famous pirate from Seaton was shipwrecked in Lyme Bay. With a large dose of sailor's luck, the ship and its crew were rescued, but some of their belongings were never recovered.

One lost item was a map, which highlighted the hidden treasures in Seaton and after centuries the cartographic depiction of the town's best-kept secrets has been mystically rediscovered*. Would you believe it? Not only does it show some of the ancient hidden gems of the town, but also, some of the more up to date places, which are just waiting to be discovered.

*this is a made up story to entertain and not to educate.

The Bridge Seaton

To cross the river Axe, walkers can still use the old toll bridge, which was built in 1877. This three arch bridge was one of the first to be built in concrete and is the oldest surviving example of its type. The tollhouse also built of concrete is on the eastern side of the bridge.

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Seaton Hole

At low tide if you venture west along the beach, you will eventually come to a secluded inlet known locally as Seaton Hole. The cove boasts a tranquil haven from the hustle and bustle of the town and the cool clear waters make an enticing place for a summer dip.

Owl and Pyramid

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Always available to help for any events you have lined up, from providing party packages or bags through to supplying those who are buying something to say 'thank you' or 'get well' to a loved one.

With a sugar free selection of sweets also available, Kath and Jeff want to ensure that they have something for everyone to enjoy.

The Good Shepherd

The Church of St Gregory was built in the early 14th century and the west tower added in the 15th. It was extensively restored in 1866 when one of the arcades was removed, giving the interior its unusual appearance. Now known as the Good Shepherd the church has been converted into a studio for local artist Ann Pengelly, who is a specialist in stained glass.

Wave Sculptures

Take a look at the two sculptured waves and interpretive pillars at Fisherman's Gap. They were erected to act as a meeting and information point to promote and inform the public about the Seaton Jurassic visitor experience.

Ann Pengelly

Your humble abode can be made more colourful and exciting with the addition of some stained glass and local artist Ann Pengelly can offer you her expertise in how to chose just the right piece to compliment your home.

Ann is an experienced stained glass artist and teacher who specialises in leaded windows including glass etching and traditional painted glass panels. She undertakes commissioned pieces of all sizes plus restoration work and is happy to provide free quotes for artwork designs and installations.

An authority on using traditional methods, Ann also teaches beginners to advanced level with classes in leaded, copper foil, fusing and etching techniques. She also rents her kiln and table space and has classes running throughout the year. From her studio 'The Good Shepherd', which is a converted church, complete with original stained glass windows, Ann offers both day and evening classes along with longer courses in the summer.

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HALF WAY TO PARADISE

Ted Gosling recalls the day 60s icon Billy Fury came to Seaton

AXE VALLEY Heritage Museum holds a huge archive of local history in Seaton Museum, dating from the Stone Age up to the present day, and this article shows we even include pop stars.

I expect many of our readers will remember Billy Fury. In the 1960s Billy Fury had more Decca hits than every other artist, including the Rolling Stones. He equalled the Beatles record of 24 hits, and spent a total of 332 weeks in the charts. He was one of the top three biggest-selling individual artists of the 60s, and widely regarded by many as the foremost rock-n-roller the UK ever produced. Such is his popularity that in 2007 a bronze statue of Billy was unveiled at the Liverpool Albert Docks. More recently, in 2011, Billy Fury Way was opened in London.

Billy was very good looking, but suffered from ill health. He had heart problems, and died of a heart attack at the early age of 42 in 1983.

Now for the Seaton connection. Two weeks before Christmas 1982, Billy Fury popped into the Vaso Café in the Square with his manager and his girlfriend for a meal. He had spent part of his holiday in Seaton, and he had also been staying for a few days in Lyme Regis, when he saw an American car for sale at the Musbury garage, and bought it.

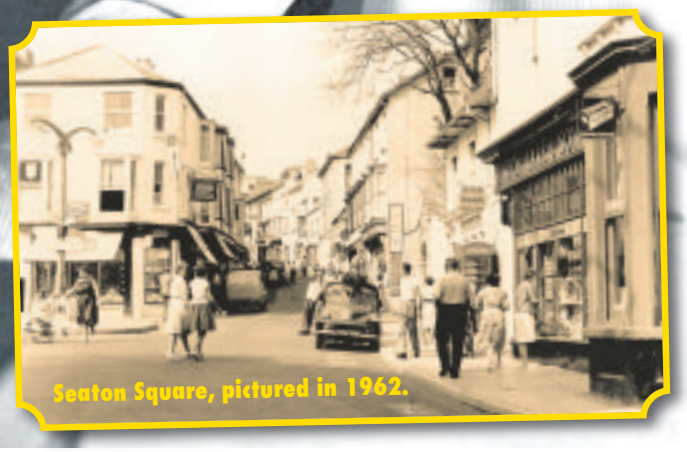
Café owner Jane Hughes said: "I knew him at once, as he walked in. I told him I had two of his original records, 'Half Way to Paradise' and 'Jealousy' from nearly 25 years ago."

Like so many others who ever came into contact with Billy, she found him a pleasant gentleman. Although he was suntanned, she said he looked very ill.

Billy Fury spent 90 minutes in the café, where he enjoyed cod, chips and peas, and two cups of tea. He made a great fuss of the owner's Doberman Pinscher, Bruno, and Jan Hughes said: "It seemed amazing at the time that a star who had been so famous should be in Seaton out of season, and then come into our little café for a meal".

Only a few weeks after his Seaton visit, after returning from a recording session in the early hours of 28 January 1983, Billy Fury collapsed in his home in London, and died later in the afternoon at 2:10pm at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington. He was 42 years old; a shy, gentle man who trusted people, and he won the respect and affection of everyone whose lives he touched.

Ted Gosling
Curator



Seaton Square, pictured in 1962.

Axe Valley Heritage Museum

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The museum covers all aspects of the Axe Valley: history, archaeology, geology, natural history and much more. Other Displays feature Victorian costume, Honiton Lace, tradesmen's tools and equipment and in addition an excellent collection of photographs and documents. Also all you want to know about Roman Seaton, your family tree records, the salt marsh and an interesting fossil display.

Curator and Secretary Ted Gosling 01297 21278
Secretary to the Friends Chris Sargent 01297 21287

SEATON TRAMWAY

WE CHOSE a beautiful sunny June afternoon for our first ever visit to Seaton Tramway and we were rewarded with a fantastic day of warmth and entertainment.

Our journey began at the Seaton station, and after squeezing our way up the slight spiral staircase and onto the open top deck of the Tram, we revelled in luscious views of the Seaton wetlands nature reserve as the tram trundled along the tracks.

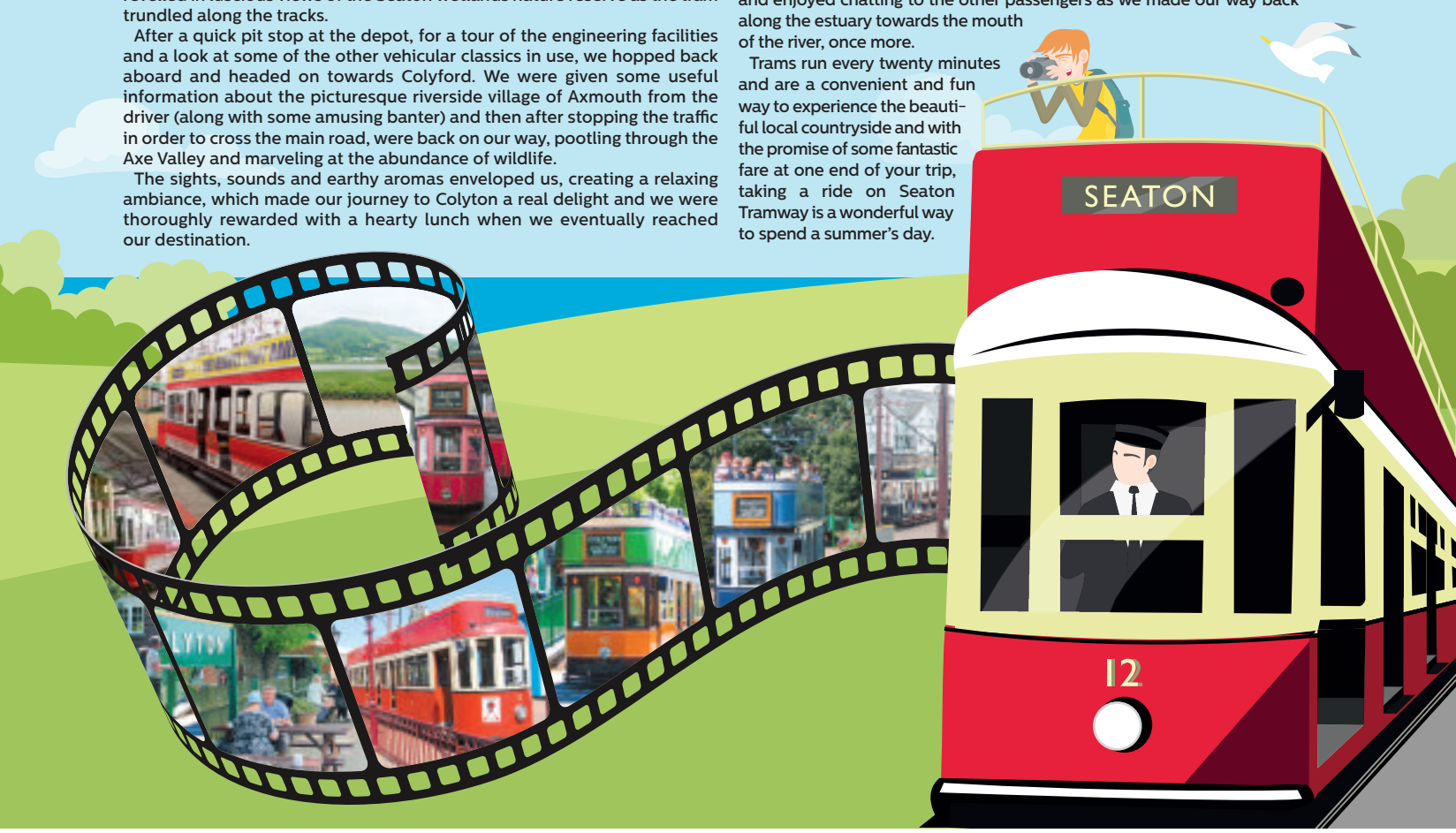
After a quick pit stop at the depot, for a tour of the engineering facilities and a look at some of the other vehicular classics in use, we hopped back aboard and headed on towards Colyford. We were given some useful information about the picturesque riverside village of Axmouth from the driver (along with some amusing banter) and then after stopping the traffic in order to cross the main road, were back on our way, pootling through the Axe Valley and marveling at the abundance of wildlife.

The sights, sounds and earthy aromas enveloped us, creating a relaxing ambiance, which made our journey to Colyton a real delight and we were thoroughly rewarded with a hearty lunch when we eventually reached our destination.

The Tramstop Cafe at Colyton serves light lunches, main meals, cream teas, coffees and a range of alcoholic beverages. We enjoyed the sunshine on the platform overlooking the track, while we soaked up the lively, friendly atmosphere and munched on our fulsome fodder.

After a mosey around the antique centre, we got the next tram back to Seaton and enjoyed chatting to the other passengers as we made our way back along the estuary towards the mouth of the river, once more.

Trams run every twenty minutes and are a convenient and fun way to experience the beautiful local countryside and with the promise of some fantastic fare at one end of your trip, taking a ride on Seaton Tramway is a wonderful way to spend a summer's day.



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Set amongst the beautiful East Devon countryside but with close links to main routes around the South West, Colyton Business Park is an ideal environment for new and expanding small businesses.

Based at the attractive Wheelers Yard, alongside the renowned Mike Rowland & Son Wheelwrights, the business park is currently home to nine thriving businesses, with two further units available.

The business park first opened in 2009 and was completed in 2015 with the addition of two purpose-built units offering a flexible workspace.

Among the businesses based at the park is **Icing Occasions**, offering bespoke celebration cakes and catering for businesses, private functions and weddings. The business was first set up by baker and cake decorator Cathryn Andrews in 2012, originally based in Honiton but later moving to Colyton Business Park after outgrowing its previous space.

Cathryn, who fell in love with baking at a young age, recently won the Best Cake Designer for Devon and an Excellence Award for Wedding Cakes 2017 for Devon from the UK World Wide Business Review.

She can provide gluten, dairy and egg free or low sugar options and, as well as baking, she has a small shop at the business park selling cake boards, boxes, fondant paste and cake accessories.

She also runs regular classes from her kitchen workshop, either one-to-one or in small groups, and recently welcomed international, award-winning model artist Barbara Luraschi, from Milan, to Colyton for two days to teach a class for modelling sugar artists from across the country, which will hopefully be repeated next year.

For further information on Icing Occasions or to place an order, contact Cathryn by emailing icingoccasions@yahoo.co.uk or call 01297 598240.

The latest business to move into Colyton Business Park is the new **Darkplace Brewery** with the hope of boosting the local craft beer scene.

Director David Salder said: "I came to East Devon from Yorkshire, where there are a lot of craft beer breweries and, while there is some great beer being produced in Devon, there isn't as big a craft beer scene down here that I had become used to in Yorkshire.

"As a craft beer fan, I find that visiting craft beer breweries and tasting different beers from lots of different breweries is important.

"Together with my brother-in-law, already living in Devon, I set about turning a home-brewing hobby into a professional venture. We looked at many locations but found that a lot of industrial and commercial estates tend to be soulless labyrinthine places. However, Colyton Business Park has a lot of character and that is reflected in the businesses that are already resident at the park, all of whom have been immensely helpful and welcoming of us. I'm so happy to find a space in East Devon, a place that I've really fallen in love with.

"Our aim is for Darkplace to be a destination for craft beer lovers in East Devon. We will have a small shop selling not just our beers but also the craft beers we love from around the country and we will also have a tap room where people can come and taste the beers before buying some bottles to take home.

"Our small size gives us a lot of flexibility to experiment with beer flavours and we intend to touch on most beer styles from traditional English-style bitters through hoppy IPAs, dark porters, sour beers and even beers made without hops."

Final preparations to launch the brewery are currently underway at Colyton Business Park, and it is hoped that brewing will start in July with the shop opening shortly after.

You can follow the progress of the Darkplace Brewery online at www.facebook.com/darkplacebrew

For details on all of the businesses at Colyton Business Park or available units, visit www.colytonbusinesspark.co.uk

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The Vintage Shed
Colyton

THE vintage look has never been more in style and, for the lover of all things nostalgic, a treasure trove of goodies awaits in Colyton.

The Vintage Shed is a hidden gem of Colyton, tucked away next to the Victorian tram station. With 32 traders offering their vintage and retro goods, you could easily get lost for hours exploring the varied collection.

From kitchenalia to clothing, records to artwork and even refurbished vintage tools, you can really find something for everyone.

The Vintage Shed was taken over by new owners Steve and Alex Goode in April, who moved to the area from Leicestershire.

After a career as an entertainments officer on cruise ships, Steve started running indoor markets and had a unit selling vintage items in Colyton, where he and wife Alex regularly holidayed, before taking on The Vintage Shed.

Steve commented: "It's been a whirlwind. We've had a really good start to the year, particularly over the Bank Holiday weekends. It's just gone from strength to strength.

"We're looking forward to a busy summer and are hoping to hold special events and promotions at the shop in future.

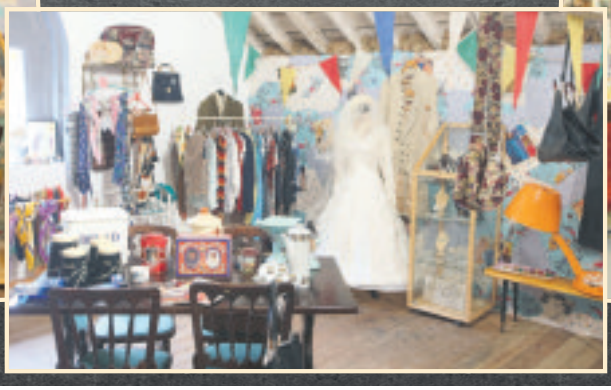
"People just love walking through the shop. Even if they don't buy anything they say what a nice shop it is, it's well laid out and everything brings back memories. The feedback we've had from customers is brilliant.

"Our neighbours at Seaton Tram have been particularly supportive and are encouraging of new businesses."

The shop attracts lots of holidaymakers who visit the town on the neighbouring tram, but Steve is keen to spread the word among more local residents as well. Prospective new traders are also more than welcome to pop in the shop to discuss opportunities.

The Vintage Shed is currently open seven days a week from 10am to 5pm and can be found in Stations Yard, Station Road, Colyton Ex24 6HA.

To get in touch call 01297 599121 or email vintageshedcolyton@gmail.com or visit the Facebook page www.facebook.com/vintageshedcolyton



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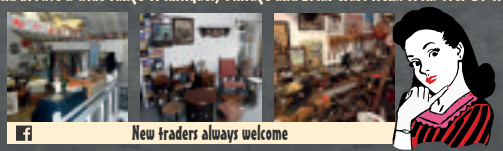

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Join our local guides for a Walking discovery of COLYTON

From 6th April - 28th September

Walks start from the car park in Dolphin Street at 2.00pm

The tours will take place regardless of weather. It is a gentle walk with frequent stops around the town ending at the Heritage Centre and the adjacent Tea Rooms.

Booking is not required. All profits go to support our Heritage Centre and other local history projects. Look out for the special display of heraldic banners in the town centre in June.

£3 PER PERSON AND UNDER SIXTEENS ARE FREE

At other times (not Thursdays) organised guided walks for groups of ten or more can be arranged by telephoning: 01297 552514 or 01297 33406 or contact us through our website:

COLYTON CARNIVAL

ONE of the highlights of the local calendar in Colyton is Carnival Week, this year to be held from September 2nd to 9th.

The annual Carnival Week promises a fun-filled programme of events for all the family. From a car treasure hunt to arts and crafts, bingo, a whist drive and bowls tournament – there really is something for everyone.

The week begins with the crowing of the carnival royal party and will culminate on Saturday, September 9th with a whole day of events, including the popular Petticoat Lane-style market in Dolphin Street car park, followed by the grand procession in the evening.

This peaceful town is truly brought to life on carnival night, with huge crowds lining the streets to watch the ever-impressive, illuminated floats wind their way around Colyton's narrow streets, as well as the imaginative walking entries – some traveling from across the region to take part.

The traditional East Devon Carnival Circuit, which runs throughout the autumn, never fails to wow the crowds and Colyton's idyllic setting is the perfect place to watch. And don't forget, you can top off a night of great entertainment with a visit to the fun fair!

Events throughout the week and collections on carnival night will be donated to local causes.

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Colyton's heraldic banners return to brighten up the town

New banners this year, left to right: James Scott, 1st Duke of Monmouth; Prince Maurice of the Palatinate; Westons of Colliton

COLYTON'S colourful heraldic banners have returned this summer to brighten up the town centre and depict its rich history.

The hand-painted banners can now be seen fluttering from many buildings around Market Place and each represent families of historic importance within the parish of Colyton through the ages.

From King Henry VIII and the Duke of Monmouth to local families, the banners give an insight into the important role Colyton has played in history.

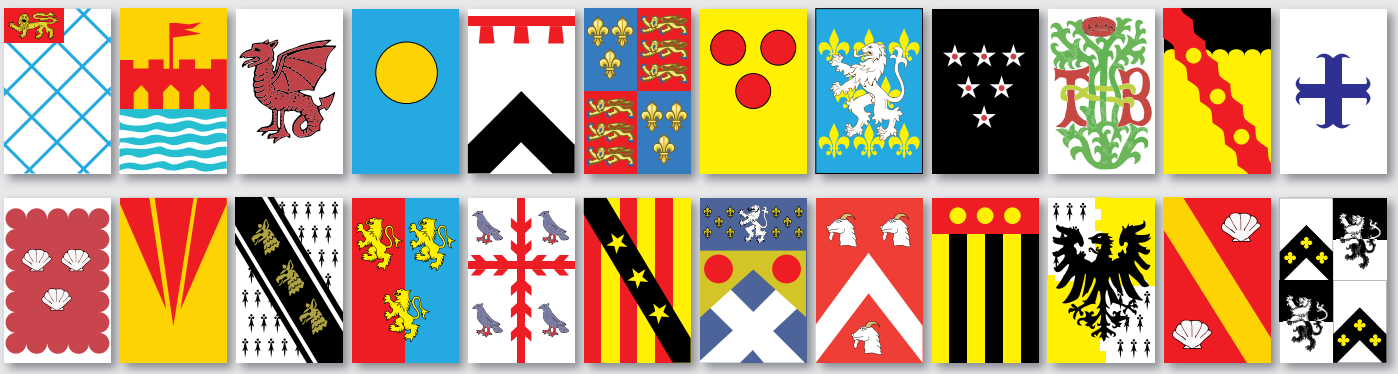
The heraldic banner display is an initiative of the Promote Colyton group and was first established last summer.

Having seen the banners on display in Tewkesbury in 2015, members decided to create their own version for Colyton, with each banner showing a crest of families and individuals who have been involved in the history of the ancient parish over past centuries.

Over a period of four months in 2016, the banners were all hand-painted by volunteers, including Mike Isley, Roger Bagg, Jacquie McCullough, Karen Pledger, Jackie Carr and Jacky Roberts-Wake, with the fabric donated by Tish Wells of Needlesharp and brackets designed and made by Mike Rowland Wheelwright & Coachbuilders. Many local businesses and individuals have also offered sponsored towards the project.

New banners depicting more of Colyton's historic figures have been added to the display this year, which was put up in time for the recent English Civil War re-enactment day.

They will remain on display throughout the summer and it is hoped they will continue to be added to each year. A guide book offering details of each banner is available at Colyton Heritage Centre for £3.



The new banners join the collection depicted above. Top row, left to right: Walter de Dunstanville; the Strowbridge family; Francis Horatio Nelson Drake; Captain Henry Wilson; Sir Edmund Prideaux; King Henry VIII; Henry Courtenay; the Pole family (De La Pole); Sir William Bonville; Revd. Thomas Brerewood; Richard Hallett; the Sampson family.

Bottom row, left to right: Sir Walter Erle; Sir Thomas Basset; the Yonge family; Sir Thomas Gates; The Rev. George Anstis; Lucy Caroline Elton; Colyton Feoffees; the Marwood family; Blackaller; Captain John Piper; Sir William Petre; Commander George Eyre Powell RN.

Heraldic Banners of Colyton
A colourful display of thirty six heraldic banners fluttering from buildings in Market Place and around the town. They represent families and guilds of historic importance within the Parish of Colyton. On display until September.
Visit Colyton AND THE COLY VALLEY

The only Father & Son Master Wheelwrights in the world

COLYTON is a town steeped in history and tradition, and nowhere is that more apparent than at the workshop of Mike Rowland & Son Wheewrights and Coachbuilders.

Mike Rowland learnt the craft of wheelwrighting as an apprentice in Honiton before opening his own company in 1964 making traditional wooden wheels for carts, carriages and cannons. The business can now display the Queen's coat of arms after being awarded the Royal Warrant of Appointment in January 2005 Her Majesty.

A Master Wheelwright with over half a century of experience in the trade, Mr Rowland was made a Yeoman with the Worshipful Company of Wheelwrights – an honour that can only be bestowed on 10 wheelwrights in the country – in 2013. The company historically acted as

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the City of London's governing body of the trade, with a court that wheelwrights would have to stand before if they made a bad wheel, and is now a charitable company.

Mike was joined in the business by his son Greg in 1991, who started as an apprentice after leaving the Armed Forces. Greg is now the Royal Warrant Grantee for the business. He is a liveryman with the Worshipful Company of Wheelwrights and was also made a Master Wheelwright in 2014.

Mike and Greg are currently the only father and son master wheelwrights in the world, and they are assisted by George Richard, a journeyman wheelwright who was thought to be the only apprentice wheelwright in the country when he undertook his three years of training at the business. He has also travelled to America to further his skills in the traditional craft and has previously represented apprentices nationally at the Houses of Commons.

With more than 80 years experience in the trade between the three men, they are well prepared to restore or make any kind of wooden wheel, horse-drawn vehicle or gun carriage, and produce an average of 200 wheels a year from their purpose-built workshop at Wheelers Yard in Colyton.

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SAT 9TH AUGUST 2017

SOUTHLEIGH VILLAGE FAYRE

THE annual Southleigh Fayre will return on Saturday, August 9th celebrating country life and all things agricultural.

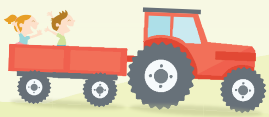
The popular event sees the idyllic East Devon village of Southleigh come to life as crowds flock to Lees Farm for an afternoon of traditional entertainment.

The fayre celebrates the best of the countryside, with entertainment in previous years including falconry and horse riding displays, sheep racing, sheep shearing, appearances from the local hunt and dog shows.

There is also set to be a huge variety of stalls from local charities and businesses, as well as demonstrations of traditional crafts and live music. A barbecue, tea tent and local beers will keep visitors refreshed, while the children will be kept busy with Punch & Judy shows, tractor rides and inflatables.

Funds raised from the event will be donated to local good causes.

This year's fayre will start at 2pm at Lees Farm, Southleigh, near Colyton EX24 6SA with entrance costing £3 for adults and children going free. For updates on the event, search 'Southleigh Fayre' on Facebook.



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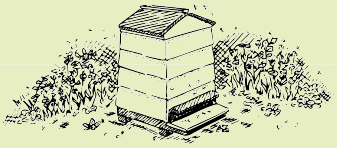

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BEER QUARRY CAVES

A fascinating labyrinth of centuries-old caverns

ONE of the greatest examples of Britain's industrial genius, a history lesson for us all, is tucked away in the hills just one mile beyond Beer.

For here it was where the hardiest of Devon men quarried the stone that helped to make England's finest buildings.

The Tower Of London, Windsor Castle, Westminster Abbey, St Paul's Cathedral, London Bridge, Winchester Cathedral, Exeter Cathedral, Rochester Castle, Hampton Court and some 21 other cathedrals, including Christ Church in St Louis, Missouri, were built using Beer Stone.

No wonder that Sir Tim Smit, director of The Eden Project, calls the caves made by the quarrying 'an inspirational and moving place, inspiring awe'.

The quarry caves are a must-see for any visitor to the Axe Valley, for they are a glorious, wonder-making testament to the best of our nation; our spirit, our grit and our cleverness.

The Romans, famous for doing everything first, started the quarrying here 2,000 years ago after they discovered that Beer Stone's remarkable qualities – it is a limestone of such fine grain that it is soft to easily saw and carve, but then hardens when exposed to the air – were ideal for building their villas hereabouts. The remains of one such villa, Honeyditches, can still be seen at Seaton.

After the Romans, the Saxons moved in to hack at the stone with pickaxes. But it was not until Medieval times that Beer truly became Britain's building merchant. Then, the industry here became fevered as the best masons demanded Beer Stone for carving for cathedrals and churches throughout the realm.

It is sobering and, as Sir Tim noted, moving, to reflect on the dexterity of muscle and mind that compounded to quarry the stone. The quarrymen worked by candlelight as they dug further and further into the cliffs, pick-axing and sawing massive slabs of heavy stone which were lifted by hand-operated cranes onto horse-drawn wagons which were driven to barges on Beer beach to be sailed to up the Channel and then down the Thames.

And so it continued for hundreds and hundreds of years until 1920 when the quarrying stopped. On the guided tours of Beer Quarry Caves you can still see the ancient tool mark in the walls, close to the magnificent vaulted roofs and pillars.

You'll see other enchanting things too – the place where after the Reformation persecuted Catholics made a secret church in which to worship and the parts of the caves where the infamous smuggler Jack Rattenbury would hide his contraband barrels of brandy and rum out of the eye of the Excisemen.

And then there's the bats. Six species have moved in to hibernate here in the winter, including the rare Bechstein's Bat, which won the caves the distinction of a site of Special Scientific Interest.

But it is the quarry caves' distinction as a site of special industrial interest which marks it out most as a monument to the glory that man can make. Go, you'll come away amazed and proud.

www.beerquarrycaves.co.uk

Beer Regatta

THE HISTORIC Beer Regatta is set to be better than ever, with a whole host of great activities to suit all ages.

One of east Devon's grandest occasions, the week long summer celebration gives visitors and residents an exciting main event every day, with plenty of other interesting happenings taking place.

There are two main stories connected with how Beer first came to host a Regatta either in 1913 or 1914. The actual start date is widely disputed.

One theory reckons that in 1913 the Beer Luggers and the Seaton Luggers were meant to race in Seaton Bay as part of the Seaton & Beer combined regatta. The legend goes that Seaton didn't wait for the Luggers to arrive and fired the starting gun without them. This so enraged the competitive Beer fishermen that they agreed to return to Beer Roads - where they held their own race. Thus the regatta was born.

The second theory was regaled by regatta opener Bill Blackmore in his welcome speech in 1975, when he told the crowds how the regatta first started in 1914. In the recording of Bill's speech from the day some say it sounds as if he says 1913, but Bill confirms the 1914 date later in the speech when talks of the regatta starting "61 years ago".

He recounts that a visiting warship to Seaton Regatta, HMS Majestic, ran over some of the crab pots belonging to the Beer Fishermen, cutting the ropes so that they could not be retrieved. The Beer Boys took bridle and decided to get their own back by boycotting the race and holding their own instead.

The true origin may never be agreed, but what can be is that the fun filled festival has been Beer's most popular event for more than a hundred years.

This year's festival kicks off on Saturday, August 12th and finishes on Friday, August 18th. For a full list of events, make sure you pick up the Beer Regatta programme. Sales from the guide help to fund the regatta.

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THE DONKEY SANCTUARY

"Whatever we do, donkeys come first, second and third"

THE Donkey Sanctuary based in Sidmouth has so much to offer residents and tourists of East Devon – and they're dying to show you.

The world famous charity's motto is: 'Whatever we do, donkeys come first, second and third' and they mean it. Set in the beautiful rolling countryside, visitors are welcome to take the family on a beautiful walk through amazing scenery, explore the maze and hike down to the secret cove to enjoy the beach.

However, for those that want a more hands on experience, visit the barn and meet the friendly donkeys or sign up for the Experience Days where visitors are able to groom, feed and take part in mucking out the donkeys. The site has just opened its new restaurant, The Kitchen, offering a range of local produce with amazing views. Visitors can also browse a unique range of donkey gifts and mementoes in the dedicated donkey shop on site.

Since Dr Elisabeth Svendsen, MBE, founded The Donkey Sanctuary in 1969, over 18,800 donkeys and mules have found sanctuary for life in the UK and Europe and there are currently over 6,000 animals in the charity's care.

The charity was started with the intention of transforming the lives of donkeys, mules and people worldwide through greater understanding, collaboration and support, and by promoting lasting, mutually life-enhancing relationships. There are over 50 million donkeys and mules in the world today and many need care and protection from a lifetime of suffering and neglect.

The Donkey Sanctuary works in 35 countries internationally and are the leading experts in donkey welfare around the world. The central hub of the charity is in Sidmouth, something the staff at the Sanctuary are very proud of.

The Donkey Sanctuary is dog and child friendly, so if you're looking for a holiday or a family day out with a difference, and a chance to have close contact with friendly donkeys in a glorious setting, visit the Donkey Sanctuary.

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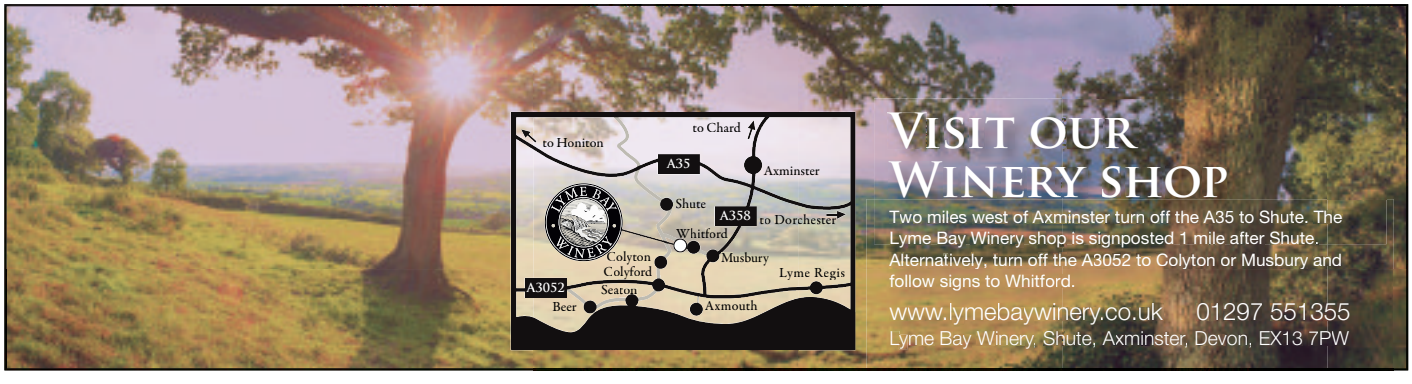
Under the watchful eye of Head Winemaker Liam Idzikowski, and using secret blends of local ingredients, Lyme Bay's dedicated team take great care crafting traditional recipes into award-winning drinks, tailored to the 21st century palette. Each of these are fermented, blended and aged, as appropriate, right here at our Winery.

This bold approach has paid off. Over the last 25 years we have seen the success and reputation of our products soar: having won 35 awards in 2016 alone, from prestigious competitions including the International Wine and Spirit Competition, the International Cider Challenge, the Decanter World Wine Awards and many more."

Lyme Bay Winery also act as proud distributors of wonderful local products such as ales from the Otter Brewery and the Branscombe Vale Brewery, cider brandy from Somerset Cider Brandy Company, and fruit ciders from Annings Fruit Ciders.



Visit our Winery Shop

Two miles west of Axminster turn off the A35 to Shute. The Lyme Bay Winery shop is signposted 1 mile after Shute. Alternatively, turn off the A3052 to Colyton or Musbury and follow signs to Whitford.

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Lyme Bay Winery, Shute, Axminster, Devon, EX13 7PW

There are a whole host of new attractions to see at Pecorama this summer, so why not hop onboard and join the fun?

OVERLOOKING the picturesque village of Beer, Pecorama attracts over 80,000 visitors a year to meander amongst the gloriously landscaped gardens and to ride on the 'Beer Heights Light Railway'; the 7¼ inch gauge miniature line with steam locomotives, which is a mile long ride and takes in beautiful views over Lyme Bay.

Pecorama is a haven for fans of steam railways and as you enter the gardens you will be greeted by an authentic British Rail signal.

Once through the gates, you can wander around the gardens and take in the new sculpture trail, which boasts works in varying mediums, by well-known sculptors, including local artists, Adrian Gray and Gary Orange.

There is also a new eatery called The Junction; an al fresco dining experience with views across the bay, serving pizza made to order and freshly ground barista coffee.

You can still get delightful fare from The Garden Room Restaurant and, of course, the highly acclaimed Orion Pullman Carriage; an oasis of calm for adults offering a selection of cakes, cream teas and beverages. You can also take a quick break from the hustle and bustle at The Whistle Stop, which now boasts a barbeque.

The younger members of your party will enjoy the newly refurbished play area, with an inclusive design, all rubber crumb flooring for a soft landing, and some exciting new play structures, including a wooden train carved from a tree, which was felled on site.

There is also all weather play provided in The Peco Play Station; an indoor, multilevel train themed play area, complete with three metre slide, twin lane Astra slide, spiral slide, cargo climbs, a spinning floor and much more.

Pritchard Patent Product Company (PECO) is also highly acclaimed with model railway enthusiasts worldwide and is a brand leader in manufacturing everything needed for your very own replica railway, including 19 different systems of track. The shop is bursting at the seams, with landscaping products and a vast range of model express trains and locomotives.

There is a busy season of events to look forward to at Pecorama, with the Inn Theatre Company returning on 1 July to present Shakespeare's The Tempest and the ever popular Kit Construction Days running on every Tuesday in August.

Youngsters can join Teddy Mac for a special day of story telling and book signings on the 30 July or pull on their pinnies and pick up their wooden spoons to take part in The Fun Kitchen on 17 August. There is also the Peco Loco Week & Bank Holiday Gala Weekend to look forward to from 21 - 28 August.

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THE Wild Caper

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High quality cuisine from around the world arrived in Seaton, with the new Wild Caper restaurant in Fore Street opening in April of last year. Since opening, The Wild Caper has gone from strength to strength with a regular clientele who visit time and time again to enjoy the wide range of diverse, original and sumptuous tapas.

The exquisitely restful foodie haven is named after the edible flower bud, which boasts beautiful pink and white blooms, but is also a clever play on words, signifying an exciting adventure and that's what you'll get from the diverse range of delectable dishes, freshly prepared with passion by owner Sarah Strong.

The restaurant offers tapas derived from a mix of European, Turkish and South American influences. You will be treated to the very best mixture of flavours and tastes, as you relax within the intimate surroundings. With the rustic wood furniture and ambient style lighting, you will be instantly transported to the Mediterranean, enjoying teapots of Sangria or Pimm's to share, in an atmosphere of warmth and serenity.

The menu is regularly changed to offer new and tantalising, traditional dishes from around the world, including Albondigas (spicy Spanish meatballs) and Mücver (Turkish courgette fritter), alongside the tender lamb tagine with Moroccan spices. You can also try the delicious Spanish cigars, made from filo pastry, filled with feta cheese, leak, chilli flakes , or the Lebanese Batata Harra, spicy potatoes, perhaps washed down with a glass of something special, from the large selection of wines available. The Wild Caper is open evenings only, and is becoming a firm favourite, with locals and visitors alike.

You can check current opening days and the menu on the website www.thewildcaper.co.uk

If you would like to book a table you can call the restaurant on 01297 22197 or book on-line at thewildcaper@gmail.com

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Dining Out...

Daisys' SEATON CAFÉ & TEAROOMS

A recent national survey revealed that when the British go on holiday at home, the overwhelming majority don't want to eat like Masterchef. Contrary to what fancy restaurants and clever chefs believe, when it comes to holiday meals most Brits taking a break in Britain simply want to eat traditionally.

So it's lucky for those who come to Seaton, then, that Daisy's Café on Harbour Road is the mistress of traditional British cooking.

Lynne Derrick realised the preference for home-cooked, simple favourites when she opened Daisy's café last year and concentrated on freshly-making what people want to eat. So that's a roast every Sunday lunch and fish and chips and bacon butties always available at all other times.

Consequently, Daisy's café has become an instant hit with locals and visitors alike as they flock to the café and ice cream kiosk for a bit of what they fancy; big, tasty sandwiches, deep-filled jacket potatoes, all-day breakfast and all of the other proper British seaside treats.

All the food is fresh, locally-supplied and perfectly-prepared by Lynne and her team to eat inside or outside or takeaway for breakfast, lunch and tea – and cream teas here are a particular treat as Lynne bakes all the scones and cakes herself.

Daisy's Café, feeding the nation just what it wants.

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The Garden Shop & Cafe

THE Garden Shop in Colyton – 'an oasis of calm in a sea of chaos'! Summer has arrived, and with it the opportunity for a little retail therapy ... we have an impressive range of gifts, many of which are Fair Trade, indoor plants, homewares (including some designed here in Colyton by Dolly Hotdogs, an ideal souvenir!), and even presents for men! We also have a lovely range of greeting cards for probably almost any occasion you can think of!

The plant area has been stocked with a wonderful range of locally sourced shrubs, perennials, alpines, bedding and roses, and one of the most extensive ranges of herbs and edibles around. We compliment the plants with a variety of seeds (Franchi seeds are grown without the use of neonicotinoids for bee lovers), garden tools, pest control (organic and chemical), fertilisers, composts and a great range of frost-free Italian pots.

We also offer an array of bird food, feeders, nest boxes and sundries.

Our lovely Café serves coffee by Cawardines (delicious!), Somerset tea, soft drinks, breakfasts, light lunches, snacks, our (oh so) wonderful cakes and ice creams! Seating is available indoors or outside among the flowers, and dogs are very welcome in or out.

Our friendly staff look forward to welcoming you, and are always ready to offer help or advice. Please ask for assistance if required. We are open 7 days a week from 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Saturday (Café 10.00-4.00pm), and 10.00am to 4.00pm on Sunday. There is plenty of free parking available.

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The Kingfisher Inn

COLYTON

THE greedy march of chain pubs with their soul-less interiors, cheap beer, loud customers and microwave meals has done more to ruin the old English inn than Hitler's Luftwaffe achieved, but thankfully a few proper old taverns still exist – and The Kingfisher in Colyton is among the best of them.

The visitor looking for an unspoilt, traditional Devon pub where the hospitality is hearty need look no further than this 16th Century inn, easily found in the centre of the town. It's exactly like an old pub should be – traditional roasts on Sundays, meat raffles in the bar every Saturday, CAMRA-rated honest local ales, a beautiful beer garden and a rare place where you can still play skittles, darts and crib.

The Kingfisher is also the friendly home to great British pub grub – fish and chips that are said to be the best in the area, steak and kidney pie, chicken and leek pie, whitebait, stuffed mushrooms, baked salmon, sirloin steak, scampi, egg and chips and raspberry and apple pie are among the choices that are all freshly-homemade and come in large portions.

It is a popular spot with walkers and rave reviews of the welcome at The Kingfisher have come from as far as California. Typical is the thumbs-up from a recent visitor from Birmingham, who wrote: "It's been a long time since we enjoyed a simple, well-cooked pub meal and this pub does the job.

"We had scampi, chips, peas and salad and ham, egg, chips and peas and our meals were thoroughly enjoyable. The food was well presented – no attempts to be a gastropub or anything fancy, just good, wholesome pub grub. We cleared our plates and we just wish that this pub was our local! We will definitely be back."

A great find, a little Devon treasure and highly-recommended by all its patrons.

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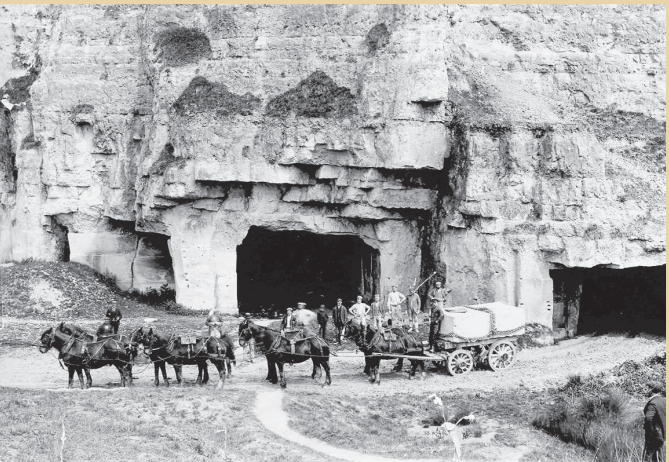
Our guides will take you on an hour long tour through the awe-inspiring caves with their mighty halls of vaulted roofs and pillars of Beer Stone which have been likened to a vast underground cathedral.
This vast man-made complex of underground caverns was created by centuries of quarrying the famous Beer Stone. The underground quarry, first worked by the Romans, supplied stone for 24 cathedrals including Exeter and St. Pauls, parts of Westminster Abbey, the Tower of London, Hampton Court and Windsor Castle. Quarried by hand, a small block weighing 4 tons, the stone was carted on horse-drawn wagons and by barges from Beer beach to its destination, sometimes involving journeys of several hundreds of miles.



History

The caves have a long and interesting history which not only included quarrying, but also as a refuge and place of worship for Catholics during times of persecution, a hiding place for contraband in the days when Beer was home to the infamous smuggler Jack Rattenbury; legend and human interest stories abound. The quarry was worked from Roman times until the beginning of the 20th. century and the entire complex is a vast memorial to those from the village, some as young as eight years old, who worked here over the centuries in flickering candlelight, providing the stone we see today in some of the oldest and most beautiful buildings in England.

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